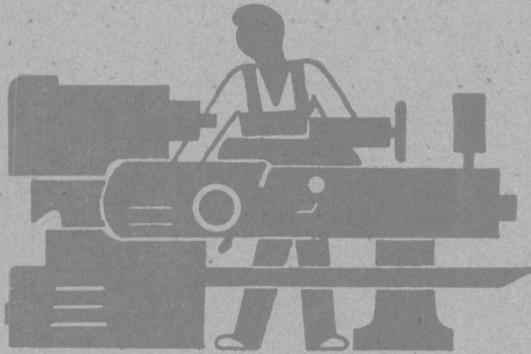


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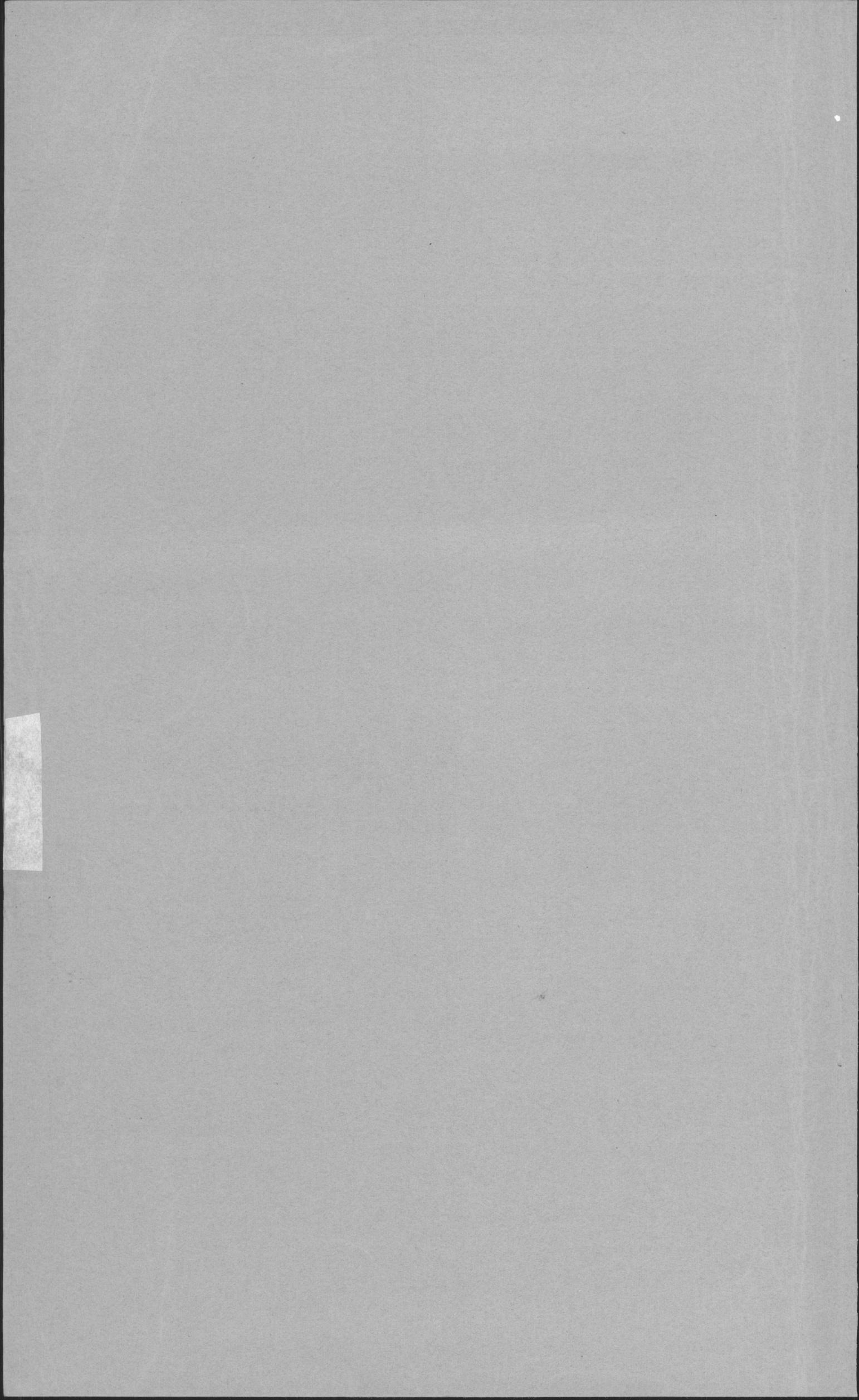
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EXPLANATORY NOTES

1. Except where otherwise specified, employment estimates contained in this Bulletin are obtained from three main sources, viz.,
 - (a) monthly data as to persons employed in factories as shown at Annual Factory Censuses;
 - (b) current monthly returns from Governmental Bodies; and
 - (c) current monthly Pay-roll Tax returns.

There are also some other direct records of monthly employment (e.g., for hospitals).

These are supplemented by estimates of the number of employees outside the ambit of the Factory Census, Governmental Bodies and Pay-roll Tax returns. Monthly numbers of factory employees subsequent to June, 1958 are estimated and are subject to revision when the Factory Censuses for 1958-59 and ensuing years are tabulated.
2. All figures in this Bulletin are compiled on an establishment or enterprise basis, and therefore do not cover exactly the same area of industry as do the relevant industry tabulations of the General Censuses of 1947 and 1954, which are based on the returns of individual employees.
3. The purpose of the estimates of employment in this Bulletin is to measure, as nearly as may be with available data, current monthly trends in employment in the defined field. Industry groups herein are not identical in coverage with Census groups.
4. The terms "Employment", "Number Employed", "Employees" and "Wage Earners" used herein are synonymous with, and relate to, "Wage and Salary Earners" on pay-rolls or "in employment" in the latter part of each month as distinct from numbers of employees actually working on a specific date. They include persons employed part-time.
5. Pay-roll Tax returns at present are lodged by all employers paying more than £200 a week in wages (other than certain Commonwealth Government Bodies, religious and benevolent institutions, public hospitals and other similar organizations specifically exempted under the Pay-roll Tax Assessment Act 1941-1957). This Act, when originally introduced in 1941, required employers paying wages of more than £20 a week to lodge returns. The exemption limit was raised to £80 a week from 1st October, 1953 and to £120 a week from 1st September, 1954. The present exemption limit of £200 a week was introduced as from 1st September, 1957.

PREFACE

The figures relating to employment published in this Bulletin are estimates. From Bulletin No. 195, February, 1958, the series of estimated employment in "factories" shown in previous issues was replaced (commencing with the month of July, 1948) by a series showing actual monthly employment in factories as recorded at successive annual Censuses of Factories to June, 1957, with interim estimates for subsequent months. Adoption of this new series entailed adopting also new series for "Total Manufacturing", "Total Private Employment" and "Total Employment" for Males, Females and Persons, in all tables affected.

From Bulletin No. 208, March, 1959, the interim estimates for the months of July, 1957 to June, 1958 were replaced by actual numbers of factory employees recorded at the annual Census of Factories for the year ended June, 1958. This entailed revisions for this period and consequential revisions in the estimates for subsequent months.

Call-ups for short periods of National Service Training have occurred from time to time since August, 1951, and other variations occur in numbers of personnel in the Services. These are shown in item 4 below and in Table 4 page 3 hereof.

TOTAL CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES AND DEFENCE FORCES : AUSTRALIA
(EXCLUDING Wage Earners in Rural Industry and Female Private Domestics)
(Thousands)

	1958			1959			
	Sept.	Oct.	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.
<u>MALES</u>							
1. In Private Employment	1472.0	1476.1	1488.6	1489.7	*1491.1	*1498.6	1503.4
In Governmental Employment -							
Commonwealth Bodies -							
Defence Group (a)	29.7	29.6	30.0	29.9	29.8	29.7	29.6
Other	140.0	140.2	142.7	143.0	143.0	142.8	142.6
State and Semi-Governmental	383.2	383.6	391.3	390.4	389.8	389.0	387.1
Local Government Bodies	67.8	68.1	69.9	70.1	70.0	70.1	70.7
2. Total Governmental	620.7	621.5	633.9	633.4	632.6	621.6	630.0
3. <u>Grand Total in Civilian Employment</u>	2092.7	2097.6	2122.5	2123.1	*2123.7	*2130.2	2133.4
4. Defence Forces (Permanent, Oversea and National Service Trainees in Camp) (b)	48.8	47.6	49.9	49.2	49.6	49.6	47.9
5. Total Civilian Employees, Defence Forces and Trainees	2141.5	2145.2	2172.4	2172.3	*2173.3	*2179.8	2181.3
<u>FEMALES</u>							
1. In Private Employment	656.5	657.8	667.6	668.7	*669.6	*675.2	679.4
In Governmental Employment -							
Commonwealth Bodies -							
Defence Group (a)	6.2	6.2	6.3	6.3	6.2	6.2	6.1
Other	39.6	39.4	40.5	41.0	41.2	40.9	40.9
State and Semi-Governmental	85.0	85.1	90.1	90.2	89.8	90.1	90.2
Local Government Bodies	6.8	6.9	7.0	7.0	7.0	7.0	7.1
2. Total Governmental	137.6	137.6	143.9	144.5	144.2	144.2	144.3
3. <u>Grand Total in Civilian Employment</u>	794.1	795.4	811.5	813.2	*813.8	*819.4	823.7
4. Defence Forces (Permanent and Oversea)	1.8	1.9	1.8	1.8	1.8	1.8	1.8
5. Total Civilian Employees and Defence Forces	795.9	797.3	813.3	815.0	*815.6	*821.2	825.5
<u>PERSONS</u>							
1. In Private Employment	2128.5	2133.9	2156.2	2158.4	*2160.7	*2173.8	2182.8
In Governmental Employment -							
Commonwealth Bodies -							
Defence Group (a)	35.9	35.8	36.3	36.2	36.0	35.9	35.7
Other	179.6	179.6	183.2	184.0	184.2	183.7	183.5
State and Semi-Governmental	468.2	468.7	481.4	480.6	479.6	479.1	477.3
Local Government Bodies	74.6	75.0	76.9	77.1	77.0	77.1	77.8
2. Total Governmental	758.3	759.1	777.8	777.9	776.8	775.8	774.3
3. <u>Grand Total in Civilian Employment</u>	2886.8	2893.0	2934.0	2936.3	*2937.5	*2949.6	2957.1
4. Defence Forces (Permanent, Oversea and National Service Trainees in Camp) (b)	50.6	49.5	51.7	51.0	51.4	51.4	49.7
5. Total Civilian Employees, Defence Forces and Trainees	2937.4	2942.5	2985.7	2987.3	*2988.9	*3001.0	3006.8

(a) Comprises employees of the Departments of Air, Army, Navy, Defence and Supply.

(b) Excludes rural workers and students in camp undergoing National Service Training.

* Revised.

I. GENERAL SUMMARYTABLE 1 : TOTAL CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES : AUSTRALIA

(EXCLUDING Wage Earners in Rural Industry and Female Private Domestics)

(Thousands)

Month	Males			Females			Persons		
	1957-58	1958-59	1959-60	1957-58	1958-59	1959-60	1957-58	1958-59	1959-60
July	2,083.3	2,094.7	2,123.1	780.0	793.1	813.2	2,863.3	2,887.8	2,936.3
August	2,079.9	2,091.3	*2,123.7	781.3	793.0	*813.8	2,861.2	2,884.3	*2,937.5
September	2,083.3	2,092.7	*2,130.2	784.4	794.1	*819.4	2,867.7	2,886.8	*2,949.6
October	2,084.7	2,097.6	2,133.4	787.5	795.4	823.7	2,872.2	2,893.0	2,957.1
November	2,084.2	2,105.6		795.4	800.2		2,879.6	2,905.8	
December	2,081.7	2,101.2		792.6	801.5		2,874.3	2,902.7	
January	2,087.6	2,103.4		789.8	798.5		2,877.4	2,901.9	
February	2,093.1	2,114.2		799.1	807.9		2,892.2	2,922.1	
March	2,097.1	2,117.2		801.5	810.8		2,898.6	2,928.0	
April	2,097.7	2,120.6		796.1	810.1		2,893.8	2,930.7	
May	2,098.5	2,122.0		794.9	811.1		2,893.4	2,933.1	
June	2,097.9	2,122.5		792.5	811.5		2,890.4	2,934.0	

* Revised.

TABLE 2 - DEFENCE FORCES : AUSTRALIA

(Permanent and Oversea Defence Forces and National Service Trainees in Camp (a))

(Thousands)

Month	Males			Females			Persons		
	1957-58	1958-59	1959-60	1957-58	1958-59	1959-60	1957-58	1958-59	1959-60
July	49.3	47.2	49.2	1.8	1.8	1.8	51.1	49.0	51.0
August	49.1	48.8	49.6	1.8	1.8	1.8	50.9	50.6	51.4
September	45.4	48.8	49.6	1.8	1.8	1.8	47.2	50.6	51.4
October	48.7	47.6	47.9	1.8	1.9	1.8	50.5	49.5	49.7
November	48.4	45.2		1.8	1.9		50.2	47.1	
December	44.5	45.2		1.8	1.8		46.3	47.0	
January	48.8	49.8		1.8	1.9		50.6	51.7	
February	48.8	50.3		1.8	1.8		50.6	52.1	
March	46.0	47.2		1.8	1.8		47.8	49.0	
April	44.6	46.3		1.8	1.8		46.4	48.1	
May	48.3	50.1		1.8	1.8		50.1	51.9	
June	48.3	49.9		1.8	1.8		50.1	51.7	

(a) Rural workers and students in camp undergoing National Service Training are excluded.

TABLE 3 - TOTAL CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES, DEFENCE FORCES AND TRAINEES : AUSTRALIA

(EXCLUDING Wage Earners in Rural Industry and Female Private Domestics)

(Thousands)

Month	Males			Females			Persons		
	1957-58	1958-59	1959-60	1957-58	1958-59	1959-60	1957-58	1958-59	1959-60
July	2,132.6	2,141.9	2,172.3	781.8	794.9	815.0	2,914.4	2,936.8	2,987.3
August	2,129.0	21,40.1	*2,173.3	783.1	794.8	*815.6	2,912.1	2,934.9	*2,988.9
September	2,128.7	2,141.5	*2,179.8	786.2	795.9	*821.2	2,914.9	2,937.4	*3,001.0
October	2,133.4	2,145.2	2,181.3	789.3	797.3	825.5	2,922.7	2,942.5	3,006.8
November	2,132.6	2,150.8		797.2	802.1		2,929.8	2,952.9	
December	2,126.2	21,46.4		794.4	803.3		2,920.6	2,949.7	
January	2,136.4	2,153.2		791.6	800.4		2,928.0	2,953.6	
February	2,141.9	2,164.5		800.9	809.7		2,942.8	2,974.2	
March	2,143.1	2,164.4		803.3	812.6		2,946.4	2,977.0	
April	2,142.3	2,166.9		797.9	811.9		2,940.2	2,978.8	
May	2,146.8	2,172.1		796.7	812.9		2,943.5	2,985.0	
June	2,146.2	2,172.4		794.3	813.3		2,940.5	2,985.7	

* Revised.

TABLE 4 - TOTAL CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES AND DEFENCE FORCES : AUSTRALIA
(EXCLUDING Wage Earners in Rural Industry and Female Private Domestics)
(Thousands)

Month	Civilian Employees (excluding Rural Industry and Female Private Domestics)									Defence Forces (b)	
	Males			Females			Persons				
	Governmental Bodies (a)	Private Employment	Total	Governmental Bodies (a)	Private Employment	Total	Governmental Bodies (a)	Private Employment	Total		
1947 June	472.0	1177.4	1649.4	92.1	527.5	619.6	564.1	1704.9	2269.0	54.0	
1948 June	494.0	1236.9	1730.9	94.9	549.1	644.0	588.9	1786.0	2374.9	39.3	
1949 June	522.7	1280.3	1803.0	100.2	569.6	669.8	622.9	1849.9	2472.8	33.3	
1950 June	554.3	1323.1	1877.4	107.7	587.9	695.6	662.0	1911.0	2573.0	33.7	
1951 June	571.2	1370.1	1941.3	113.9	614.8	728.7	685.1	1984.9	2670.0	44.3	
1952 June (c)	578.4	1362.9	1941.3	115.3	572.1	687.4	693.7	1935.0	2628.7	69.4	
1953 June	567.8	1354.2	1922.0	112.0	570.3	682.3	679.8	1924.5	2604.3	67.4	
1954 June	581.4	1408.9	1990.3	114.5	605.2	719.7	695.9	2014.1	2710.0	62.1	
1955 June	599.1	1450.6	2049.7	122.8	629.1	751.9	721.9	2079.7	2801.6	59.8	
1956 June	604.9	1477.3	2082.2	129.8	643.6	773.4	734.7	2120.9	2855.6	59.3	
1957 June	609.5	1475.9	2085.4	132.8	647.4	780.2	742.3	2123.3	2865.6	47.9	
1958 June	621.8	1476.1	2097.9	136.6	655.9	792.5	758.4	2132.0	2890.4	50.1	
1959 June	633.9	1488.6	2122.5	143.9	667.6	811.5	777.8	2156.2	2934.0	51.7	
1957 April	606.9	1473.3	2080.2	132.4	650.1	782.5	739.3	2123.4	2862.7	49.9	
May	609.2	1476.3	2085.5	132.6	649.8	782.4	741.8	2126.1	2867.9	48.7	
June	609.5	1475.9	2085.4	132.8	647.4	780.2	742.3	2123.3	2865.6	47.9	
July	609.6	1473.7	2083.3	133.7	646.3	780.0	743.3	2120.0	2863.3	51.1	
August	608.1	1471.8	2079.9	133.6	647.7	781.3	741.7	2119.5	2861.2	50.9	
September	607.9	1475.4	2083.3	133.2	651.2	784.4	741.1	2126.6	2867.7	47.2	
October	608.9	1475.8	2084.7	133.0	654.5	787.5	741.9	2130.3	2872.2	50.5	
November	608.0	1476.2	2084.2	133.1	662.3	795.4	741.1	2138.5	2879.6	50.2	
December	609.0	1472.7	2081.7	132.1	660.5	792.6	741.1	2133.2	2874.3	46.3	
1958 January	611.9	1475.7	2087.6	132.7	657.1	789.8	744.6	2132.8	2877.4	50.6	
February	614.5	1478.6	2093.1	136.3	662.8	799.1	750.8	2141.4	2892.2	50.6	
March	616.4	1480.7	2097.1	136.7	664.8	801.5	753.1	2145.5	2898.6	47.8	
April	618.8	1478.9	2097.7	136.4	659.7	796.1	755.2	2138.6	2893.8	46.4	
May	620.8	1477.7	2098.5	136.3	658.6	794.9	757.1	2136.3	2893.4	50.1	
June	621.8	1476.1	2097.9	136.6	655.9	792.5	758.4	2132.0	2890.4	50.1	
July	621.7	1473.0	2094.7	137.7	655.4	793.1	759.4	2128.4	2887.8	49.0	
August	620.6	1470.7	2091.3	137.5	655.5	793.0	758.1	2126.2	2884.3	50.6	
September	620.7	1472.0	2092.7	137.6	656.5	794.1	758.3	2128.5	2886.8	50.6	
October	621.5	1476.1	2097.6	137.6	657.8	795.4	759.1	2133.9	2893.0	49.5	
November	622.8	1482.8	2105.6	137.8	662.4	800.2	760.6	2145.2	2905.8	47.1	
December	622.8	1478.4	2101.2	137.1	664.4	801.5	759.9	2142.8	2902.7	47.0	
1959 January	627.1	1476.3	2103.4	138.6	659.9	798.5	765.7	2136.2	2901.9	51.7	
February	631.2	1483.0	2114.2	143.0	664.9	807.9	774.2	2147.9	2922.1	52.1	
March	632.0	1485.2	2117.2	143.4	667.4	810.8	775.4	2152.6	2928.0	49.0	
April	633.6	1487.0	2120.6	143.7	666.4	810.1	777.3	2153.4	2930.7	48.1	
May	634.4	1487.6	2122.0	143.6	667.5	811.1	778.0	2155.1	2933.1	51.9	
June	633.9	1488.6	2122.5	143.9	667.6	811.5	777.8	2156.2	2934.0	51.7	
July	633.4	1489.7	2123.1	144.5	668.7	813.2	777.9	2158.4	2936.3	51.0	
August *	632.6	1491.1	2123.7	144.2	669.6	813.8	776.8	2160.7	2937.5	51.4	
September *	631.6	1498.6	2130.2	144.2	675.2	819.4	775.8	2173.8	2949.6	51.4	
October	630.0	1503.4	2133.4	144.3	679.4	823.7	774.3	2182.8	2957.1	49.7	

(a) Includes all employees of Governmental Bodies (Commonwealth, State, Local and Semi-Governmental) on services such as railways, tramways, banks, post office, air transport, education, broadcasting, television, police, public works, factories and munitions establishments, migrant hostels, etc., as well as administrative employees, within Australia.

(b) Includes members of Permanent and Oversea Defence Forces and National Service Trainees in camp. Non-enlisted personnel are included to June, 1956. Rural workers and students in camp undergoing National Service Training are excluded. (c) See Preface on page 1 hereof as to effects of fluctuations in numbers of Defence Forces and Trainees since August, 1951. * Revised.

TABLE 5 - WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS IN CIVILIAN EMPLOYMENT

STATES AND TERRITORIES

(EXCLUDING Wage Earners in Rural Industry and Female Private Domestics)

(Personnel in Defence Forces and National Service Trainees in Camp are also excluded)
(Thousands)

State or Territory	June, 1955	June, 1956	June, 1957	June, 1958	June, 1959	Sept., 1958	Oct., 1958	Sept., 1959	Oct., 1959
<u>MALES</u>									
New South Wales	794.1	808.3	810.2	813.9	819.2	810.3	813.0	*823.0	824.0
Victoria	576.2	583.2	586.0	592.9	601.6	591.3	592.3	603.7	605.2
Queensland	278.2	282.4	282.6	282.8	286.5	282.8	283.1	285.9	285.8
South Australia	180.8	187.9	186.4	186.0	191.1	186.1	186.5	192.5	192.5
Western Australia	141.5	140.5	138.4	138.6	139.5	138.8	139.2	140.2	140.5
Tasmania	65.1	65.7	66.0	67.0	67.0	66.1	66.1	66.9	67.4
Northern Territory	4.8	5.2	5.8	5.6	5.8	5.7	5.8	5.9	5.9
Aust. Cap. Terr.	9.0	9.0	10.0	11.1	11.8	11.6	11.6	12.1	12.1
<u>Australia:</u>	2049.7	2082.2	2085.4	2097.9	2122.5	2092.7	2097.6	*2130.2	2133.4
<u>FEMALES</u>									
New South Wales	297.4	305.9	309.3	314.4	320.3	315.1	315.6	*324.0	326.1
Victoria	232.4	238.5	240.4	244.5	251.9	244.9	245.6	254.2	255.7
Queensland	92.1	93.7	95.8	95.9	98.0	96.7	96.6	99.2	98.9
South Australia	59.8	62.5	62.4	63.4	65.5	63.6	63.8	66.4	66.8
Western Australia	44.3	45.1	44.5	45.6	46.8	46.2	46.2	47.1	47.4
Tasmania	21.8	23.2	22.9	23.5	23.3	22.2	22.2	22.6	22.8
Northern Territory	1.0	1.2	1.2	1.3	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.4
Aust. Cap. Terr.	3.1	3.4	3.7	3.9	4.3	4.0	4.0	4.5	4.6
<u>Australia:</u>	751.9	773.5	780.2	792.5	811.5	794.1	795.4	*819.4	823.7
<u>PERSONS</u>									
New South Wales	1091.5	1114.2	1119.5	1128.3	1139.5	1125.4	1128.6	*1147.0	1150.1
Victoria	808.6	821.7	826.4	837.4	853.5	836.2	837.9	857.9	860.9
Queensland	370.3	376.1	378.4	378.7	384.5	379.5	379.7	385.1	384.7
South Australia	240.6	250.4	248.8	249.4	256.6	249.7	250.3	258.9	259.3
Western Australia	185.8	185.6	182.9	184.2	186.3	185.0	185.4	187.3	187.9
Tasmania	86.9	88.9	88.9	90.5	90.3	88.3	88.3	89.5	90.2
Northern Territory	5.8	6.4	7.0	6.9	7.2	7.1	7.2	7.3	7.3
Aust. Cap. Terr.	12.1	12.4	13.7	15.0	16.1	15.6	15.6	16.6	16.7
<u>Australia:</u>	2801.6	2855.7	2865.6	2890.4	2934.0	2886.8	2893.0	*2949.6	2957.1

* Revised.

TABLE 6 - CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES OF GOVERNMENTAL BODIES, OCTOBER, 1959.

STATES AND TERRITORIES

(Thousands)

State or Territory	Commonwealth (a)						State and Semi-Govt. (a)		Local Govt. (a)			Total Governmental (a)		
	Defence Group		Other		Total		M	F	M	F	M	F	M	P
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	P
New South Wales	9.4	1.3	48.7	14.4	58.1	15.7	134.2	29.5	28.4	3.2	220.7	48.4	269.1	
Victoria	13.9	3.6	38.3	11.4	52.2	15.0	101.6	27.9	14.0	1.9	167.8	44.8	212.6	
Queensland	1.1	0.2	17.2	4.8	18.3	5.0	56.8	9.2	18.7	1.1	93.8	15.3	109.1	
South Australia	4.0	0.7	13.8	3.1	17.8	3.8	40.6	11.8	3.5	0.4	61.9	16.0	77.9	
Western Australia	0.6	0.1	9.1	2.2	9.7	2.3	39.1	7.6	3.7	0.3	52.5	10.2	62.7	
Tasmania	0.1	0.1	4.8	1.2	4.9	1.3	14.8	4.2	2.3	0.2	22.0	5.7	27.7	
Northern Territory	0.1	-	2.9	0.8	3.0	0.8	-	-	0.1	-	3.1	0.8	3.9	
Aust. Cap. Terr.	0.4	0.1	7.8	3.0	8.2	3.1	-	-	-	-	8.2	3.1	11.3	
<u>Total : Oct., 1959</u>	29.6	6.1	142.6	40.9	172.2	47.0	387.1	90.2	70.7	7.1	630.0	144.3	774.3	
<u>Total : Sept., 1959</u>	29.7	6.2	142.8	40.9	172.5	47.1	389.0	90.1	70.1	7.0	631.6	144.2	775.8	

(a) See note (a) to Table 4 on previous page.

II. EMPLOYMENT IN INDUSTRIAL GROUPS

TABLE 7 - WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS IN CIVILIAN EMPLOYMENT : INDUSTRIAL GROUPS

STATES - OCTOBER, 1959.

(EXCLUDING Wage Earners in Rural Industry and Female Private Domestics)

(Personnel in Defence Forces and National Service Trainees in Camp are also excluded)
(Thousands)

Industrial Group	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'ld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Aust. (f)
<u>MALES</u>							
Forestry, Fishing and Trapping	7.8	5.2	5.4	1.9	2.2	2.1	24.8
Mining and Quarrying	22.5	4.5	9.4	1.7	7.5	2.8	49.0
Manufacturing, etc. - Factories (a)	333.7	255.9	82.1	76.2	39.2	21.8	808.9
Other (b)	28.8	19.7	11.0	3.2	2.6	0.9	68.1
<u>Total Manufacturing:</u>	362.5	275.6	93.1	79.4	41.8	22.7	877.0
Building and Construction (including repairs, etc.)	69.0	49.5	37.4	20.3	13.8	9.3	203.4
Road Transport	36.5	22.2	14.7	7.1	4.7	2.5	88.1
Shipping and Stevedoring	15.6	10.8	8.2	5.5	5.6	2.4	48.2
Rail and Air Transport	36.7	22.6	21.6	9.2	10.4	2.4	103.4
Communication	26.9	20.1	9.9	6.4	4.9	2.3	71.1
Property and Finance (incl. Banks, etc.)	27.3	20.9	9.1	5.8	4.2	1.6	69.1
Retail Trade	52.1	39.4	15.8	12.7	10.5	3.6	134.8
Wholesale and Other Commerce	52.5	46.1	22.1	15.2	14.4	4.7	155.5
Public Authority Activity, n.e.i.	38.3	29.3	12.2	8.4	7.5	4.0	105.2
Other Industries (g)	76.3	59.0	26.9	18.9	13.0	7.0	203.8
<u>TOTAL MALES:</u>	824.0	605.2	285.8	192.5	140.5	67.4	2133.4
<u>FEMALES</u>							
Manufacturing, etc. - Factories (a)	111.0	99.5	16.7	16.5	6.2	4.6	254.5
Other (b)	1.3	2.4	2.9	0.1	0.9	-	7.9
<u>Total Manufacturing:</u>	112.3	101.9	19.6	16.6	7.1	4.6	262.4
Rail and Air Transport	3.7	2.0	1.3	0.6	0.4	0.1	8.2
Other Transport (incl. Shipping, etc.)	4.6	4.1	1.9	1.1	0.5	0.3	12.5
Communication	7.5	5.6	2.8	1.9	1.1	1.0	19.9
Property and Finance (incl. Banks, etc.)	21.3	13.9	5.3	3.9	2.5	1.1	48.2
Retail Trade	47.0	35.3	17.3	12.8	11.1	4.2	128.5
Wholesale and Other Commerce	18.5	13.6	7.1	3.9	3.4	1.0	47.6
Public Authority Activity, n.e.i.	11.4	7.7	4.8	1.9	2.1	1.1	30.9
Other Industries (g)	99.8	71.6	38.8	24.1	19.2	9.4	265.5
<u>TOTAL FEMALES:</u>	326.1	255.7	98.9	66.8	47.4	22.8	823.7
<u>PERSONS</u>							
Forestry, Fishing and Trapping	7.8	5.3	5.4	1.9	2.3	2.1	25.0
Mining and Quarrying	22.8	4.6	9.7	1.8	7.7	2.9	50.1
Manufacturing, etc. - Factories (a)	444.7	355.4	98.8	92.7	45.4	26.4	1063.4
Other (b)	30.1	22.1	13.9	3.3	3.5	0.9	76.0
<u>Total Manufacturing:</u>	474.8	377.5	112.7	96.0	48.9	27.3	1139.4
Building and Construction (including repairs, etc.)	71.5	51.0	38.1	20.8	14.1	9.4	209.1
Road Transport	40.0	25.6	16.3	8.0	5.0	2.7	98.0
Shipping and Stevedoring	16.7	11.5	8.5	5.7	5.8	2.5	50.8
Rail and Air Transport	40.4	24.6	22.9	9.8	10.8	2.5	111.6
Communication	34.4	25.7	12.7	8.3	6.0	3.3	91.0
Property and Finance (incl. Banks, etc.)	48.6	34.8	14.4	9.7	6.7	2.7	117.3
Retail Trade	99.1	74.7	33.1	25.5	21.6	7.8	263.3
Wholesale and Other Commerce	71.0	59.7	29.2	19.1	17.8	5.7	203.1
Public Authority Activity, n.e.i.	49.7	37.0	17.0	10.3	9.6	5.1	136.1
Other Industries (g)	173.3	128.9	64.7	42.4	31.6	16.2	462.3
<u>TOTAL PERSONS:</u>	1150.1	860.9	384.7	259.3	187.9	90.2	2957.1

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TABLE 8 - WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS IN CIVILIAN EMPLOYMENT : INDUSTRIAL GROUPS
AUSTRALIA

(EXCLUDING Wage Earners in Rural Industry and Female Private Domestics)
(Personnel in Defence Forces and National Service Trainees in Camp are also excluded)
(Thousands)

Industrial Group	Sept., 1958	Oct., 1958	July, 1959	August, 1959	Sept., 1959	Oct., 1959
MALES						
<u>Forestry, Fishing and Trapping</u>	25.4	25.2	25.1	25.0	24.9	24.8
Mining and Quarrying -						
Gold	6.9	6.9	7.0	7.0	6.9	6.9
Silver, Lead, Zinc	9.3	9.3	9.0	9.0	9.0	9.0
Coal	23.0	23.0	21.3	21.3	21.3	21.3
Other (including Quarries)	11.7	11.7	11.6	11.6	11.8	11.8
<u>Total Mining and Quarrying</u>	50.9	50.9	48.9	48.9	49.0	49.0
Manufacturing, etc. -						
Factories (a)	789.4	791.7	802.6	803.9	807.7	808.9
Other (b)	66.3	66.7	67.7	67.9	68.1	68.1
<u>Total Manufacturing</u>	855.7	858.4	870.3	871.8	875.8	877.0
Building and Construction (including repairs, etc.) -						
Building (Privately employed) (c)	82.2	82.6	84.4	83.8	84.4	85.0
Other (d)	117.2	118.1	120.0	119.0	118.6	118.4
<u>Total Building and Construction</u>	199.4	200.7	204.4	202.8	203.0	203.4
Transport and Communication -						
Road Transport	87.7	87.9	88.4	88.2	88.0	88.1
Shipping and Stevedoring	48.8	48.6	48.7	48.1	48.3	48.2
Rail and Air Transport	104.0	103.8	104.8	104.7	104.2	103.4
Communication	69.6	69.6	71.1	71.1	71.0	71.1
<u>Total Transport and Communication</u>	310.1	309.9	313.0	312.1	311.5	310.8
Property and Finance, (including Banks and Insurance)						
<u>Total Commerce</u>	66.4	66.2	68.9	68.9	69.0	69.1
Other -						
Law and Order	23.0	23.1	23.9	24.0	24.1	24.1
Religion and Social Welfare	11.4	11.4	11.4	11.4	11.4	11.4
Health Services	27.6	27.7	28.3	28.5	28.3	28.6
Education	45.4	45.5	49.1	49.2	49.5	49.6
Other Professional	14.9	14.8	15.8	15.8	15.8	15.6
Amusement, Sport	19.5	19.4	19.6	19.5	19.7	20.0
Personal Service (e)	54.9	55.2	53.9	54.2	54.4	54.5
<u>Total Other</u>	196.7	197.1	202.0	202.6	203.2	203.8
TOTAL:	2092.7	2097.6	2123.1	*2123.7	*2130.2	2133.4

FEMALES

<u>Forestry, Fishing and Trapping</u>	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2
<u>Mining and Quarrying</u>	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1
Manufacturing, etc. -						
Factories (a)	243.5	243.3	247.7	249.4	252.4	254.5
Other (b)	7.7	7.7	7.9	7.9	7.9	7.9
<u>Total Manufacturing</u>	251.2	251.0	255.6	257.3	260.3	262.4
Building and Construction (including repairs, etc.)						
Road Transport	5.5	5.5	5.7	5.7	5.7	5.7
Shipping and Stevedoring	9.6	9.5	9.9	9.8	9.9	9.9
Rail and Air Transport	2.6	2.6	2.6	2.6	2.6	2.6
Communication	8.2	8.1	8.1	8.3	8.2	8.2
<u>Total Transport and Communication</u>	39.9	39.8	40.2	40.4	40.4	40.6

* Revised.

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TABLE 8 - WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS IN CIVILIAN EMPLOYMENT : INDUSTRIAL GROUPS
 AUSTRALIA (Continued)
 (Thousands)

Industrial Group	Sept., 1958	Oct., 1958	July, 1959	Aug., 1959	Sept., 1959	Oct., 1959
FEMALES (Continued)						
Property and Finance (including Banks and Insurance)	45.4	45.4	48.0	47.9	48.2	48.2
Commerce -						
Wholesale Trade	40.8	40.8	41.4	41.2	41.4	41.6
Primary Produce Agencies	6.0	6.0	5.8	5.9	5.9	6.0
Retail Trade	125.4	126.4	126.4	*126.3	*127.2	128.5
Total Commerce	172.2	173.2	173.6	*173.4	*174.5	176.1
Public Authority Activity, n.e.i.	30.2	30.1	31.2	31.2	31.0	30.9
Other -						
Law and Order	10.8	10.8	11.0	11.0	11.0	11.1
Religion and Social Welfare	9.0	9.0	9.0	9.0	9.0	9.0
Health Services	83.2	83.5	88.3	88.2	88.7	88.5
Education	56.8	57.0	61.2	60.6	60.9	61.0
Other Professional	10.7	10.7	10.9	10.8	10.9	11.2
Amusement, Sport	9.2	9.1	9.0	8.8	8.9	9.1
Personal Service (e)	68.7	69.0	68.2	68.2	68.6	68.6
Total Other	248.4	249.1	257.6	256.6	258.0	258.5
TOTAL:	794.1	795.4	813.2	*813.8	*819.4	823.7
PERSONS						
Forestry, Fishing and Trapping	25.6	25.4	25.3	25.2	25.1	25.0
Mining and Quarrying -						
Gold	7.1	7.1	7.1	7.1	7.0	7.0
Silver, Lead, Zinc	9.5	9.5	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3
Coal	23.2	23.2	21.5	21.5	21.5	21.5
Other (including Quarries)	12.2	12.2	12.1	12.1	12.3	12.3
Total Mining and Quarrying	52.0	52.0	50.0	50.0	50.1	50.1
Manufacturing, etc. -						
Factories (a)	1032.9	1035.0	1050.3	1053.3	1060.1	1063.4
Other (b)	74.0	74.1	75.6	75.8	76.0	76.0
Total Manufacturing	1106.9	1109.4	1125.9	1129.1	1136.1	1139.4
Building and Construction (including repairs, etc.) -						
Building (Privately employed) (c)	85.1	85.5	87.5	86.9	87.5	88.1
Other (d)	119.8	120.7	122.6	121.6	121.2	121.0
Total Building and Construction	204.9	206.2	210.1	208.5	208.7	209.1
Transport and Communication -						
Road Transport	97.3	97.4	98.3	98.0	97.9	98.0
Shipping and Stevedoring	51.4	51.2	51.3	50.7	50.9	50.8
Rail and Air Transport	112.2	111.9	112.9	113.0	112.4	111.6
Communication	89.1	89.2	90.7	90.8	90.7	91.0
Total Transport and Communication	350.0	349.7	353.2	352.5	351.9	351.4
Property and Finance (including Banks and Insurance)	111.8	111.6	116.9	116.8	117.2	117.3
Commerce -						
Wholesale Trade	166.8	167.0	169.7	169.1	169.8	170.6
Primary Produce Agencies	31.0	31.5	29.1	30.1	31.7	32.5
Retail Trade	258.2	259.6	260.0	*260.4	*261.5	263.3
Total Commerce	456.0	458.1	458.8	*459.6	*463.0	466.4
Public Authority Activity, n.e.i.	134.5	134.4	136.5	136.6	136.3	136.1
Other -						
Law and Order	33.8	33.9	34.9	35.0	35.1	35.2
Religion and Social Welfare	20.4	20.4	20.4	20.4	20.4	20.4
Health Services	110.8	111.2	116.6	116.7	117.0	117.1
Education	102.2	102.5	110.3	109.8	110.4	110.6
Other Professional	25.6	25.5	26.7	26.6	26.7	26.8
Amusement, Sport	28.7	28.5	28.6	28.3	28.6	29.1
Personal Service (e)	123.6	124.2	122.1	122.4	123.0	123.1
Total Other:	445.1	446.2	459.6	459.2	461.2	462.3
TOTAL:	2886.8	2893.0	2936.3	*2937.5	*2949.6	2957.1

* Revised.

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NOTES TO TABLES 7 AND 8

(a) The figures shown represent the actual monthly employment in factories as recorded at successive annual Censuses of Factories to June, 1958, with interim estimates for subsequent months. In this connexion, a factory is defined as an industrial establishment in which four or more persons are employed, or in which power, other than manual, is used. The employees covered are those engaged in manufacturing activities and exclude those engaged in selling and distribution, etc. The estimated numbers of employees in factories for the period July, 1948 to January, 1958 (shown in issues of this Bulletin up to No. 194) were based on Pay-roll Tax returns. This series was replaced as from July, 1948 in Bulletin No. 195 (February, 1958) and subsequent Bulletins by the Factory Census series referred to above.

(b) Includes employees in industrial establishments outside the scope of the definition of a factory (given in (a) above) and persons employed by factory proprietors but engaged in selling and distribution, etc., who are excluded from figures shown opposite "Factories". Includes employees in factories in the Northern Territory and the Australian Capital Territory.

(c) Includes persons employed on private building, and employees of private employers contracting to public bodies, on building construction, alterations, maintenance and repairs.

(d) Includes employees on construction of roads, bridges, earthworks, etc., and employees directly employed by public bodies on building and maintenance of buildings.

(e) Includes Hotels, Restaurants, Hairdressing and Other Personal Services (except female private domestics).

(f) Includes the Northern Territory and the Australian Capital Territory.

(g) Includes Law and Order, Religion and Social Welfare, Health, Education, Other Professional Services, Amusement, etc., and Personal Service (Hotels, Restaurants, etc., excluding female private domestics). In respect of females only, also includes Forestry, Fishing, etc., Mining, Building and Construction.

III. EMPLOYMENT IN LARGER PRIVATE FACTORIES

By joint arrangement between the Secretary of the Department of Labour and National Service and the Commonwealth Statistician, a regular monthly survey of employment in the larger privately-owned factories of New South Wales and Victoria was instituted in January, 1952. Practically all private factories with 100 or more employees and a large section of those with between 50 and 100 employees were surveyed.

The instruction as to employees to be included in the returns was as follows:- "The number of persons employed is to include all persons on the establishment of the factory who are engaged in the factory or on the factory office staff, providing their employment is directly related to manufacture", and further "..... the number of males and females (separately) employed in the specified factory or mill. These figures are to include factory office staff, but are to exclude selling and distribution staff". The figures obtained relate to the numbers on the pay-roll as at the last pay-day in the month.

The survey was instituted to provide an earlier indication of trend of private factory employment, month by month, than is available from any other source, and in fact the trends shown in employment in these larger private factories are broadly consonant with those shown in estimates of total private factory employment, derived from Pay-roll Tax Returns, for the period for which comparisons are available.

Employment in food-processing factories is subject to considerable seasonal variation. In view of this circumstance, the movements in "all factories excluding food factories" are given equal prominence in the tables with those in "all factories surveyed".

The survey was extended to cover all States with effect from January, 1953. In Bulletins up to and including No. 152, totals were given for the original two States, for the three remaining mainland States and for the five mainland States together. The figures now shown in Tables 9 to 12 relate to all six States.

An industrial analysis, showing movements in each of eight broad groups, is given in Table 13. In continuation of the earlier practice, this table is confined to the five mainland States. Figures for Tasmania cannot be incorporated into this table in the same detail because of the risk of disclosure of individual factory particulars.

TABLE 9 - EMPLOYMENT IN LARGER PRIVATE FACTORIES

SIX STATES

Period (End of Month)	Employment in all Factories surveyed			Percentage movement since previous month		
	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons
1958 - October	403,178	121,781	524,959	+ 0.3	-	+ 0.2
November	404,621	122,051	526,672	+ 0.4	+ 0.2	+ 0.3
December	402,066	121,949	524,015	- 0.6	- 0.1	- 0.5
1959 - January	400,250	122,110	522,360	- 0.5	+ 0.1	- 0.3
February	403,594	124,964	528,558	+ 0.8	+ 2.3	+ 1.2
March	404,852	125,060	529,912	+ 0.3	+ 0.1	+ 0.3
April	405,752	123,326	529,078	+ 0.2	- 1.4	- 0.2
May	406,428	123,230	529,658	+ 0.2	- 0.1	+ 0.1
June	407,785	123,465	531,250	+ 0.4	+ 0.2	+ 0.3
July	408,808	123,448	532,256	+ 0.3	-	+ 0.2
August	408,926	124,032	532,958	-	+ 0.5	+ 0.1
September	410,886	125,440	536,326	+ 0.5	+ 1.1	+ 0.6
October	*411,486	*126,935	*538,421	*+ 0.1	+ 1.2	+ 0.4
November	411,423	127,290	538,713	-	+ 0.3	+ 0.1

* Revised.

TABLE 10 - EMPLOYMENT IN LARGER PRIVATE FACTORIES

STATES

State	Employment in all Factories surveyed					Percentage movement in employment	
	1958		1959			Sept., '59	Oct., '59
	October	November	September	October	November		
<u>MALES</u>							
New South Wales	166,493	167,288	170,959	*171,494	172,299	*+ 0.3	+ 0.5
Victoria	121,917	122,737	124,373	125,123	126,047	+ 0.6	+ 0.7
Queensland	41,928	41,298	40,802	39,329	36,883	- 3.6	- 6.2
South Australia	41,674	41,828	43,025	43,511	43,896	+ 1.1	+ 0.9
Western Australia	17,182	17,413	17,392	* 17,608	17,810	+ 1.2	+ 1.1
Tasmania	13,984	14,057	14,335	* 14,421	14,488	*+ 0.6	+ 0.5
TOTAL:	403,178	404,621	410,886	*411,486	411,423	+ 0.1	-
<u>FEMALES</u>							
New South Wales	50,643	50,657	52,771	*53,325	53,392	*+ 1.0	+ 0.1
Victoria	46,410	46,478	47,810	48,520	48,771	+ 1.5	+ 0.5
Queensland	8,389	8,509	8,183	8,217	8,113	+ 0.4	- 1.3
South Australia	9,281	9,171	9,296	9,370	9,337	+ 0.8	- 0.4
Western Australia	3,531	3,602	3,485	3,537	3,612	+ 1.5	+ 2.1
Tasmania	3,527	3,634	3,895	* 3,966	4,065	*+ 1.8	+ 2.5
TOTAL:	121,781	122,051	125,440	*126,935	127,290	+ 1.2	+ 0.3
<u>PERSONS</u>							
New South Wales	217,136	217,945	223,730	*224,819	225,691	+ 0.5	+ 0.4
Victoria	168,327	169,215	172,183	173,643	174,818	+ 0.8	+ 0.7
Queensland	50,317	49,807	48,985	47,546	44,996	- 2.9	- 5.4
South Australia	50,955	50,999	52,321	52,881	53,233	+ 1.1	+ 0.7
Western Australia	20,713	21,015	20,877	21,145	21,422	+ 1.3	+ 1.3
Tasmania	17,511	17,691	18,230	*18,387	18,553	*+ 0.9	+ 0.9
TOTAL:	524,959	526,672	536,326	*538,421	538,713	+ 0.4	+ 0.1

* Revised.

TABLE 11 - EMPLOYMENT IN LARGER PRIVATE FACTORIES,

EXCLUDING FOOD FACTORIES

SIX STATES

Period (End of Month)	Employment in all Factories surveyed, except Food Factories			Percentage movement since previous month		
	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons
1958 : October	346,877	105,902	452,779	-	- 0.4	- 0.1
	347,599	105,630	453,229	+ 0.2	- 0.3	+ 0.1
	347,824	105,365	453,189	+ 0.1	- 0.3	-
	348,161	104,723	452,884	+ 0.1	- 0.6	- 0.1
	349,823	105,662	455,485	+ 0.5	+ 0.9	+ 0.6
	350,795	105,996	456,791	+ 0.3	+ 0.3	+ 0.3
	351,835	106,562	458,397	+ 0.3	+ 0.5	+ 0.4
	352,333	106,738	459,071	+ 0.1	+ 0.2	+ 0.1
	352,886	107,280	460,166	+ 0.2	+ 0.6	+ 0.3
	353,059	107,725	460,784	-	+ 0.4	+ 0.1
	353,995	108,314	462,309	+ 0.3	+ 0.5	+ 0.3
	355,872	109,332	465,204	+ 0.5	+ 0.9	+ 0.6
1959 : November	357,017	*110,170	*467,187	*+ 0.3	+ 0.8	*+ 0.4
	358,290	110,411	468,701	+ 0.4	+ 0.2	+ 0.3

* Revised.

TABLE 12 - EMPLOYMENT IN LARGER PRIVATE FACTORIES, EXCLUDING FOOD FACTORIES

STATES

State	Employment in all Factories surveyed, excluding Food Factories				Percentage movement in employment	
	1958		1959		Sept., '59- Oct., '59	Oct., '59- Nov., '59
	October	November	September	October		

MALES

New South Wales	151,429	151,730	155,611	*156,011	156,573	+ 0.3	+ 0.4
Victoria	106,629	106,827	109,406	109,646	109,677	+ 0.2	-
Queensland	24,548	24,486	24,376	24,288	24,567	- 0.4	+ 1.1
South Australia	37,799	37,898	39,280	39,714	40,008	+ 1.1	+ 0.7
Western Australia	14,642	14,789	14,949	15,047	15,162	+ 0.7	+ 0.8
Tasmania	11,830	11,869	12,250	12,311	12,303	+ 0.5	- 0.1
TOTAL:	346,877	347,599	355,872	*357,017	358,290	*+ 0.3	+ 0.4

FEMALES

New South Wales	44,519	44,361	46,488	* 46,738	46,798	*+ 0.5	+ 0.1
Victoria	41,305	41,228	42,697	43,064	43,114	+ 0.9	+ 0.1
Queensland	6,639	6,634	6,430	6,523	6,523	+ 1.4	-
South Australia	7,995	7,874	8,002	8,068	8,062	+ 0.8	- 0.1
Western Australia	2,711	2,724	2,682	2,707	2,741	+ 0.9	+ 1.3
Tasmania	2,733	2,809	3,033	3,070	3,173	+ 1.2	+ 3.4
TOTAL:	105,902	105,630	109,332	*110,170	110,411	+ 0.8	+ 0.2

PERSONS

New South Wales	195,948	196,091	202,099	*202,749	203,371	*+ 0.3	+ 0.3
Victoria	147,934	148,055	152,103	152,710	152,791	+ 0.4	+ 0.1
Queensland	31,187	31,120	30,806	30,811	31,090	-	+ 0.9
South Australia	45,794	45,772	47,282	47,782	48,070	+ 1.1	+ 0.6
Western Australia	17,353	17,513	17,631	17,754	17,903	+ 0.7	+ 0.8
Tasmania	14,563	14,678	15,283	15,381	15,476	+ 0.6	+ 0.6
TOTAL:	452,779	453,229	465,204	*467,187	468,701	*+ 0.4	+ 0.3

* Revised.

TABLE 13 - EMPLOYMENT IN LARGER PRIVATE FACTORIES : FIVE MAINLAND STATES

INDUSTRIAL GROUPING

Industrial Group	Employment in Factories surveyed (5 States)				Percentage move- ment in employment	
	Nov., 1958	Sept., 1959	Oct., 1959	Nov., 1959	Sept., '59 Oct., '59	Oct., '59 Nov., '59
<u>MALES</u>						
1. Building Materials	36,465	36,023	36,226	36,339	+ 0.6	+ 0.3
2. Basic Metals	44,559	45,987	45,919	46,258	- 0.1	+ 0.7
3. Transportation Equipment	57,260	61,244	61,487	61,813	+ 0.4	+ 0.5
4. Other Metal Manufactures	92,221	94,060	*94,572	94,959	*+ 0.5	+ 0.4
5. Chemicals & Allied Products	21,246	21,314	21,289	21,346	- 0.1	+ 0.3
6. Clothing and Textiles	32,530	32,788	32,773	32,702	-	- 0.2
7. Food	54,834	52,929	52,359	50,948	- 1.1	- 2.7
8. All Other	51,449	52,206	52,440	52,570	+ 0.4	+ 0.2
Total - All Groups	390,564	396,551	*397,065	396,935	*+ 0.1	-
Total - Excluding Food	335,730	343,622	*344,706	345,987	+ 0.3	+ 0.4
<u>FEMALES</u>						
1. Building Materials	3,222	3,071	3,138	3,169	+ 2.2	+ 1.0
2. Basic Metals	2,609	2,820	2,787	2,783	- 1.2	- 0.1
3. Transportation Equipment	5,502	5,819	5,908	5,914	+ 1.5	+ 0.1
4. Other Metal Manufactures	22,660	23,897	*24,189	24,332	*+ 1.2	+ 0.6
5. Chemicals & Allied Products	4,780	4,864	4,879	4,908	+ 0.3	+ 0.6
6. Clothing and Textiles	50,631	52,223	52,450	52,350	+ 0.4	- 0.2
7. Food	15,596	15,246	15,869	15,987	+ 4.1	+ 0.7
8. All Other	13,417	13,605	13,749	13,782	+ 1.1	+ 0.2
Total - All Groups	118,417	121,545	*122,969	123,225	+ 1.2	+ 0.2
Total - Excluding Food	102,821	106,299	*107,100	107,238	+ 0.8	+ 0.1

* Revised.

IV. WAGES AND HOURS OF LABOUR

TABLE 14 - AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGE EARNINGS (a) : AUSTRALIA

Index Numbers (Base 1945-46 = 1,000)
(Seasonally Adjusted)

Year	Index Numbers		Quarter	Index Numbers	
	All Industries (b)	Manufacturing		All Industries (b)	Manufacturing
1945-46	1,000	1,000	1956 - June Qtr.	2,922	2,901
1946-47	1,037	1,056	Sept. "	2,979	2,945
1947-48	1,212	1,206	Dec. "	3,023	2,973
1948-49	1,374	1,365	1957 - March "	3,020	2,962
1949-50	1,513	1,505	June "	3,038	2,995
1950-51	1,816	1,809	Sept. "	3,087	3,026
1951-52	2,221	2,219	Dec. "	3,105	3,066
1952-53	2,428	2,394	1958 - March "	3,093	3,075
1953-54	2,553	2,511	June "	3,102	3,089
1954-55	2,682	2,685	Sept. "	3,178	3,148
1955-56	2,863	2,856	Dec. "	3,207	3,151
1956-57	3,015	2,969	1959 - March "	3,178	3,188
1957-58	3,097	3,064	June "	3,199	3,170
1958-59	3,191	3,164	Sept. "	3,347	3,331

(a) Includes salaries. (b) Average earnings per male unit employed. Male units represent total male employment plus a proportion of female employment based on the approximate ratio of female to male earnings.

NOTE:- The index numbers for "All Industries" and "Manufacturing" show the movement in average earnings over a period of time. However, they do not give, at any point of time, a comparison of actual earnings in the two groups.

The "All Industries" index is based on Pay-roll Tax Returns and other data. The index for manufacturing industries for the years 1945-46 to 1957-58 is based on the average earnings of male wage and salary earners employed in factories as disclosed by annual factory returns. The figures subsequent to June, 1958 are preliminary estimates based on Pay-roll Tax returns.

TABLE 15 - AVERAGE WEEKLY TOTAL WAGES PAID AND AVERAGE EARNINGS

The following figures are derived from employment and wages recorded on Pay-roll Tax returns and from estimates of the unrecorded balance. Pay of members of the armed forces is not included. The figures are not seasonally adjusted. A seasonally adjusted quarterly index of average weekly wage earnings is shown in Table 14.

Period	N.S.W. (a)	Vic.	Q'ld.	S.A. (b)	W.A.	Tas.	Aust.
AVERAGE WEEKLY TOTAL WAGES PAID (£'000)							
1952-53	15,422	10,816	4,868	3,357	2,492	1,199	38,154
1953-54	16,480	11,767	5,227	3,615	2,754	1,305	41,148
1954-55	17,970	12,901	5,601	3,940	2,928	1,399	44,739
1955-56	19,764	14,144	6,033	4,330	3,104	1,521	48,896
1956-57	20,943	14,925	6,457	4,507	3,177	1,635	51,644
1957-58	21,664	15,510	6,585	4,635	3,284	1,671	53,349
1958-59	22,484	16,257	7,034	4,793	3,361	1,729	55,658
<u>1956-57</u> -							
March Quarter	20,144	14,276	6,041	4,343	3,088	1,618	49,510
June "	21,363	15,304	6,513	4,595	3,216	1,713	52,704
<u>1957-58</u> -							
September Quarter	21,289	15,170	6,592	4,619	3,317	1,578	52,565
December "	22,741	16,253	6,894	4,772	3,353	1,674	55,687
March "	20,630	14,789	6,091	4,480	3,116	1,653	50,759
June "	21,995	15,831	6,764	4,668	3,350	1,778	54,386
<u>1958-59</u> -							
September Quarter	22,182	15,908	7,016	4,757	3,407	1,654	54,924
December "	23,645	17,044	7,424	4,961	3,505	1,799	58,378
March "	21,253	15,382	6,565	4,568	3,131	1,669	52,568
June "	22,857	16,692	7,132	4,886	3,402	1,793	56,762
<u>1959-60</u> -							
September Quarter	23,583	17,312	7,491	5,228	3,563	1,771	58,948
AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS PER EMPLOYED MALE UNIT (£) (c)							
1952-53	15.96	15.71	14.17	15.17	14.69	14.80	15.45
1953-54	16.69	16.64	14.98	15.87	15.59	15.78	16.26
1954-55	17.64	17.59	15.58	16.83	16.11	16.54	17.13
1955-56	18.92	18.78	16.49	17.88	16.92	17.75	18.28
1956-57	19.89	19.70	17.50	18.28	17.48	18.79	19.16
1957-58	20.44	20.22	17.94	18.68	18.05	18.95	19.67
1958-59	21.11	20.89	18.78	19.11	18.34	19.42	20.31
<u>1956-57</u> -							
March Quarter	19.09	18.78	16.53	17.53	16.99	18.43	18.35
June "	20.29	20.12	17.70	18.50	17.71	19.51	19.53
<u>1957-58</u> -							
September Quarter	20.18	19.97	17.83	18.66	18.37	18.22	19.47
December "	21.44	21.27	18.96	19.25	18.46	19.22	20.59
March "	19.43	19.14	16.76	18.01	17.10	18.58	18.68
June "	20.70	20.49	18.22	18.79	18.30	19.76	19.93
<u>1958-59</u> -							
September Quarter	20.92	20.68	18.68	19.17	18.67	18.74	20.16
December "	22.19	22.01	19.88	19.89	19.12	20.37	21.35
March "	19.94	19.63	17.65	18.15	17.08	18.61	19.14
June "	21.37	21.27	18.88	19.23	18.48	19.97	20.57
<u>1959-60</u> -							
September Quarter	21.97	22.03	19.71	20.45	19.35	19.96	21.30

(a) Includes the Australian Capital Territory. (b) Includes the Northern Territory.
(c) Total wages as above divided by total civilian employment expressed in male units. Male units equals the number of males plus a proportion of females based on the approximate ratio of female to male earnings. The same ratio has been used in each State and because the average ratio of female to male earnings may vary between States precise comparisons between average earnings in different States cannot be made on the basis of the figures above.

NOTE:- Comparisons as to trend should be made for complete years or corresponding periods of incomplete years. Quarterly totals and averages are affected by seasonal influences.

AVERAGE NOMINAL WEEKLY AND HOURLY WAGE RATE INDEX NUMBERS

NOTE:- A new index of minimum weekly wage rates has been constructed for adult males. When a corresponding index for adult females has been completed, new indexes of minimum weekly and hourly wage rates will be published in lieu of those shown herein.

The index numbers in the following three tables are based on averages of wage rates and hours of labour for a full week's work, obtained from awards, determinations and industrial agreements.

TABLE 16 - NOMINAL WEEKLY WAGE RATE INDEX NUMBERS : ADULT MALESINDUSTRIAL GROUPS (a), 30TH SEPTEMBER, 1959.

Base of each index : Weighted average weekly wage, Australia, All Groups, three years ended 30th June, 1939 = 100.

Industrial Group	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'ld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Aust.(b)
I. Wood, Furniture, etc.	379	368	357	363	370	375	370
II. Engineering, Metal Works, etc.	365	359	380	356	369	376	364
III. Food, Drink, etc.	370	377	348	374	361	386	368
IV. Clothing, Textiles, etc.	362	366	375	375	380	361	366
V. Books, Printing, etc.	415	*410	414	400	449	419	414
VI. Other Manufacturing	371	362	349	365	361	376	365
VII. Building	409	414	388	384	392	391	404
VIII. Mining (c)	379	371	370	355	382	370	375
IX. Rail and Tram Services	*387	373	370	362	367	*405	*377
X. Other Land Transport	361	355	350	351	357	370	357
XI. Shipping, etc. (d)	393	398	394	395	396	397	395
XII. Pastoral, Agricultural, etc.	438	401	390	400	405	422	414
XIII. Domestic, Hotels, etc.	353	348	322	330	342	341	345
XIV. Miscellaneous	361	358	342	345	348	360	355
All Groups (b)	386	375	367	369	374	387	378

(a) The average rate of wage for each industrial group in each State is the arithmetical average of the rates of wage payable for specified occupations within that group.

(b) Weighted average. (c) Average rates of wage on which index numbers are based are those prevailing at the principal mining centres in each State and exclude district allowances in the gold mining industry. (d) Average rates of wage on which index numbers are based are for occupations other than masters, officers and engineers in the Merchant Marine Service, and include value of keep, where supplied. * Revised.

TABLE 17 - NOMINAL WEEKLY WAGE RATE INDEX NUMBERS : ADULT MALESALL GROUPS (a)

Base of each index : Weighted average weekly wage, Australia, All Groups, three years ended 30th June, 1939 = 100.

Date	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'ld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Aust.
31st December, 1938	106	102	107	97	110	99	104
" " 1950	234	228	223	224	232	223	229
" " 1951	284	274	269	269	280	276	277
" " 1952	317	306	299	306	317	308	310
" " 1953	331	315	305	311	326	331	321
" " 1954	333	317	311	315	327	334	323
" " 1955	346	331	318	317	340	337	334
" " 1956	370	349	336	332	355	357	354
" " 1957	372	355	339	345	364	364	360
30th September, 1958	377	359	353	351	365	370	365
31st December, 1958	376	359	355	351	366	370	366
31st March, 1959	378	359	359	352	367	370	367
30th June, 1959	385	368	366	369	371	383	375
30th September, 1959	386	375	367	369	374	387	378

(a) Weighted average.

TABLE 18 - NOMINAL HOURLY WAGE RATE INDEX NUMBERS : ADULT MALES

ALL GROUPS (a)

Base of each index : Weighted average hourly wage, Australia,
three years ended 30th June, 1939 = 100.

Date	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'ld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Aust.(b)
31st December, 1938	109	98	109	92	111	94	104
" " 1950	248	244	228	234	250	239	243
" " 1951	300	290	268	279	300	287	291
" " 1952	338	327	308	322	342	326	329
" " 1953	346	336	316	327	352	341	338
" " 1954	349	340	325	332	353	345	342
" " 1955	365	355	334	337	370	350	355
" " 1956	388	372	356	349	385	369	375
" " 1957	390	380	359	363	395	378	381
30th September, 1958	395	384	374	370	395	385	387
31st December, 1958	395	384	377	370	397	385	387
31st March, 1959	397	384	381	371	397	386	389
30th June, 1959	*405	*395	387	389	399	*402	*398
30th September, 1959	405	401	389	389	404	404	400

(a) Weighted average hourly rates of wage for all industrial groups except Groups XI (Shipping, etc.) and XII (Pastoral, Agricultural, etc.), for which definite particulars for the computation of hourly wage rates are not available. The average rate of wage in each State is the weighted average of the wage rates for each industrial group in the State. (b) Weighted average. * Revised.

V. UNEMPLOYMENT

TABLE 19 - NUMBER OF PERSONS RECEIVING UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFIT (a) : STATES

NOTE: - The figures in this table are as furnished by the Department of Social Services.

Month	N.S.W. (b)	Vic.	Q'ld.	S.A. (c)	W.A.	Tas.	Australia		
							Males	Females	Persons
1952 June	4,613	1,133	2,055	153	236	104	6,108	2,186	8,294
1953 June	14,629	5,939	3,677	655	691	323	21,552	4,362	25,914
1954 June	2,810	1,203	1,657	79	225	109	4,360	1,723	6,083
1955 June	1,042	319	964	70	239	45	1,670	1,009	2,679
1956 June	2,325	1,412	1,270	319	1,606	71	5,395	1,608	7,003
1957 June	6,242	5,073	2,851	1,054	2,441	410	14,324	3,747	18,071
1958 June	11,703	6,899	4,905	2,267	3,005	639	22,051	7,367	29,418
1959 June	12,092	6,013	4,477	1,337	2,939	670	19,691	7,837	27,528
1958 June	11,703	6,899	4,905	2,267	3,005	639	22,051	7,367	29,418
July	12,098	7,442	3,907	2,393	3,363	712	22,266	7,649	29,915
August	11,350	7,435	3,176	2,207	3,219	891	21,104	7,174	28,278
September	10,626	6,735	2,984	1,933	2,875	849	19,098	6,904	26,002
October	10,302	5,656	2,874	1,707	2,709	789	17,494	6,543	24,037
November	9,859	4,916	3,031	1,507	2,354	635	15,872	6,430	22,302
December	11,881	5,436	5,460	1,707	2,501	580	20,919	6,646	27,565
1959 January	12,847	5,389	8,359	1,471	3,009	411	24,647	6,839	31,486
February	12,070	4,572	6,866	1,331	2,914	454	21,272	6,935	28,207
March	11,981	4,548	6,769	1,123	2,850	398	20,551	7,118	27,669
April	12,269	5,136	5,057	1,264	2,652	446	19,471	7,353	26,824
May	12,158	5,643	5,631	1,321	2,674	497	20,067	7,857	27,924
June	12,092	6,013	4,477	1,337	2,939	670	19,691	7,837	27,528
July	12,569	6,339	3,008	1,449	3,279	798	19,299	8,143	27,442
August	10,927	6,012	2,608	1,415	2,993	932	17,532	7,355	24,887
September	9,262	5,281	2,902	1,232	2,670	816	15,577	6,586	22,163
October	7,862	4,302	3,121	1,163	2,436	714	13,654	5,944	19,598
November	6,975	3,727	4,502	1,120	2,113	600	13,337	5,700	19,037

(a) Number on benefit at last Saturday of month. For June, 1952 the figures represent the number of persons on the cash sheet; thereafter they represent the number actually on benefit. (b) Includes the Australian Capital Territory. (c) Includes the Northern Territory.

VI. INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES

Comparative figures for earlier years and explanations of terms used in this Section will be found in Chapter IV of Labour Report No. 46, 1958

TABLE 20 - INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES (a): INDUSTRIAL GROUPS -

STATES

Quarter Ended 30th September, 1959.

Industrial Group	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'ld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Aust. (b)
Number of Disputes							
I. Wood, Furniture, etc.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
II. Engineering, Metal Works, etc.	21	2	1	1	-	-	25
III. Food, Drink, etc.	8	1	9	1	1	-	20
IV. Clothing, Textiles, etc.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
V. Books, Printing, etc.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
VI. Other Manufacturing	7	1	-	2	1	1	12
VII. Building	9	1	3	-	-	-	13
VIII. (i) Coal Mining	90	-	18	-	-	-	108
(ii) Other Mining, Quarries, etc.	1	-	2	1	-	-	4
IX. Railway and Tramway Services	9	2	1	2	-	-	14
X. Air and Other Land Transport	2	-	-	-	-	-	2
XI. Shipping, Wharf Labour, etc.	15	4	14	-	4	7	46
XII. Pastoral, Agricultural, etc.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
XIII. Domestic, Hotels, etc.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
XIV. Miscellaneous	2	-	-	-	-	-	4
Total:	164	11	48	7	6	8	248
Workers Involved							
I. Wood, Furniture, etc.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
II. Engineering, Metal Works, etc.	13,927	307	90	420	-	-	14,744
III. Food, Drink, etc.	1,893	40	3,953	34	67	-	5,987
IV. Clothing, Textiles, etc.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
V. Books, Printing, etc.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
VI. Other Manufacturing	859	348	-	113	58	182	1,560
VII. Building	1,395	20	266	-	-	-	1,681
VIII. (i) Coal Mining	9,959	-	844	-	-	-	10,803
(ii) Other Mining, Quarries, etc.	1,097	-	3,094	209	-	-	4,400
IX. Railway and Tramway Services	3,054	8,350	45	177	-	-	11,626
X. Air and Other Land Transport	596	-	-	-	-	-	596
XI. Shipping, Wharf Labour, etc.	2,585	2,337	7,338	-	2,482	1,617	16,487
XII. Pastoral, Agricultural, etc.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
XIII. Domestic, Hotels, etc.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
XIV. Miscellaneous	91	-	-	-	-	-	215
Total:	35,456	11,402	15,630	953	2,607	1,799	68,099
Working Days Lost							
I. Wood, Furniture, etc.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
II. Engineering, Metal Works, etc.	30,454	316	45	3,518	-	-	34,333
III. Food, Drink, etc.	2,533	120	7,946	180	67	-	10,846
IV. Clothing, Textiles, etc.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
V. Books, Printing, etc.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
VI. Other Manufacturing	2,142	120	50	49	267	910	3,538
VII. Building	5,801	260	312	-	-	-	6,373
VIII. (i) Coal Mining	19,032	-	3,178	-	-	-	22,210
(ii) Other Mining, Quarries, etc.	1,097	-	3,843	209	-	-	5,149
IX. Railway and Tramway Services	459	1,740	33	29	-	-	2,261
X. Air and Other Land Transport	665	-	-	-	-	-	665
XI. Shipping, Wharf Labour, etc.	1,543	426	5,561	-	4,976	1,509	14,062
XII. Pastoral, Agricultural, etc.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
XIII. Domestic, Hotels, etc.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
XIV. Miscellaneous	163	-	-	-	-	-	301
Total:	63,889	2,982	20,968	3,985	5,310	2,419	99,738

(a) Refers only to disputes involving a stoppage of work of ten man-days or more.

(b) Includes disputes occurring in the Northern Territory and the Australian Capital Territory.

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TABLE 20 - INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES (a) : INDUSTRIAL GROUPS -

STATES

Quarter Ended 30th September, 1959.

(Continued)

Industrial Group	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'ld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Aust.(b)
	Estimated Loss in Wages (£)						
I. Wood, Furniture, etc.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
II. Engineering, Metal Works, etc.	118,315	1,278	160	10,920	-	-	130,673
III. Food, Drink, etc.	9,486	450	28,450	300	326	-	39,012
IV. Clothing, Textiles, etc.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
V. Books, Printing, etc.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
VI. Other Manufacturing	8,025	577	120	175	1,000	3,720	13,617
VII. Building	26,922	925	1,049	-	-	-	28,896
VIII. (i) Coal Mining	70,592	-	12,575	-	-	-	83,167
(ii) Other Mining, Quarries, etc.	6,600	-	17,910	1,040	-	-	25,550
IX. Railway and Tramway Services	1,291	5,368	120	60	-	-	6,839
X. Air and Other Land Transport	2,331	-	-	-	-	-	2,331
XI. Shipping, Wharf Labour, etc.	5,882	1,597	20,855	-	18,661	5,643	52,814
XII. Pastoral, Agricultural, etc.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
XIII. Domestic, Hotels, etc.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
XIV. Miscellaneous	205	-	-	-	-	-	663
Total:	249,649	10,195	81,239	12,495	19,987	9,363	383,562

(a) Refers only to disputes involving a stoppage of work of ten man-days or more.

(b) Includes disputes occurring in the Northern Territory and the Australian Capital Territory.

TABLE 21 - INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES (a) : AUSTRALIA

Period	Number	Workers Involved			Working days lost	Estimated loss in wages (£)
		Directly	Indirectly (b)	Total		
1940	350	178,939	13,658	192,597	1,507,252	1,716,121
1941	567	240,845	7,262	248,107	984,174	1,000,102
1942	602	166,167	3,096	169,263	378,195	456,090
1943	785	288,028	8,075	296,103	990,151	1,153,506
1944	943	260,792	15,566	276,358	912,752	1,111,729
1945	945	299,641	16,297	315,938	2,119,641	2,567,444
1946	869	331,865	16,683	348,548	1,947,844	2,290,147
1947	982	280,718	46,419	327,137	1,338,728	1,898,085
1948	1,141	301,025	16,124	317,149	1,662,686	2,299,114
1949	849	260,720	3,857	264,577	1,333,990	2,611,536
1950	1,276	391,481	40,220	431,701	2,062,888	4,166,418
1951	1,344	380,421	28,171	408,592	872,974	2,256,028
1952	1,627	488,178	17,556	505,734	1,163,504	3,439,850
1953	1,459	483,800	12,246	496,046	1,050,830	3,337,437
1954	1,490	355,580	14,494	370,074	901,639	3,021,211
1955	1,532	424,340	20,307	444,647	1,010,884	3,310,321
1956	1,306	414,590	13,393	427,983	1,121,383	3,967,061
1957	1,103	325,995	11,048	337,043	630,213	2,308,622
1958	987	275,573	7,276	282,849	439,890	1,590,603
1958 : September Quarter	290	63,505	1,242	64,747	113,798	406,243
December "	188	30,439	3,071	33,510	67,415	258,557
1959 : March "	196	40,823	1,835	42,658	93,727	349,079
June "	234	54,717	1,705	56,422	83,112	314,753
September "	248	66,623	1,476	68,099	99,738	383,562

(a) Refers only to disputes involving a stoppage of work of ten man-days or more.

(b) Persons thrown out of work at the establishment where the stoppage occurred, but not themselves parties to the dispute.

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